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ABSTRACT

PURPOSE: To enable discount sale which is **managed** without the trouble to monitor the state of discount sale at all times.

CONSTITUTION: Object articles of discount sale, deduction amounts, and a discount total sales amount are set through an input device 12. When a selection switch 10 for selecting an object article of discount sale is pressed, a discount acknowledgement signal is outputted on condition that the difference between the discount total upper limit amount and the discount total amount in a specific period is larger than the discount amount of the object articles of discount sale. When the discount acknowledgement signal is outputted, the amount obtained by subtracting the discount amount from the normal sales **price** of the object article of discount sale is regarded as an article sales **price** and the article is sold. In other cases, article are sold at normal sales **prices** . The discount sale may be limited with the number of times of discount sale instead of the discount total amount.

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